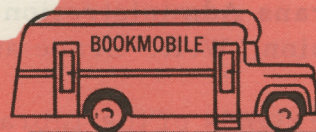


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# News FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES



SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY BOARD



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## NEWS FROM THE 1969 SCLA CONFERENCE

A record number of 451 registered for the 46th conference of the South Carolina Library Association October 9-11 at the Jack Tar Poinsett Hotel in Greenville.

Speakers for the sectional and general sessions were: Dr. Lawrence A. Allen, Chairman, Department of Library Science, University of Kentucky; Dr. Jesse Shera, Dean, School of Library Science, Case Western Reserve University; Ted Slate, Chief Librarian, News-week; Dr. Richard B. Moses, Regional Coordinator, Northern Inter-related Library System, Pawkucket, Rhode Island; and Dr. Alice Smith, Director, Department of Library Science, College of Education, University of South Florida.

Mrs. H.A. Scott, Jr., Librarian of the Rock Hill High School and 1968-69 president of the Association, presided at the General Sessions and the Business Meeting.

J. Mitchell Reames, Vice-President and President-Elect, received the gavel from Mrs. Scott. Mr. Reames is Associate Director for Public Service of the U.S.C. libraries. J. Frank Nolen received the nomination as Vice-President and President-Elect. Mr. Nolen, Florence, was chairman of the Trustee Section. Colonel James M. Hillard was re-elected treasurer. Mrs. Margaret W. Ehrhardt, Library Services Supervisor, State Department of Education, is the new secretary.

The College Section elected Dr. H. Joanne Harrar, Librarian of Winthrop College, Vice-Chairman and Chairman-Elect and Secretary. Barbara J. Williams, Librarian of South Carolina State College, who held these positions 1968-69, automatically became chairman of the Section for 1970-71.

The nominating committee of the Public Library Section offered the following slate of officers - Chairman: Mrs. James Ragsdale, Jr.,



Beaufort County Librarian; Vice Chairman: John Landrum, Reference Librarian, S. C. State Library; Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Dene Adams, Assistant, Pickens County Library. The nominees were elected.

The new officers of the School Library Section are: President, Mrs. Ruth Gregg, Library Supervisor, School District #2, Richland County; Vice Chairman: Esther McKenney, Librarian, Spartanburg Senior High School; Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Claudine Ross, Edisto Drive Elementary School Library, Orangeburg.

The Special Libraries Section elected the following officers: Chairman: Mrs. Meta Jones, Phillip Fibers Corporation, Greenville; Vice-Chairman: Mrs. Dorothy K. Jones, Librarian, Augusta Veterans Administration Hospital Library; Secretary: Mrs. Meg Ezell, Librarian, Cryovac Division, W.R. Grace and Company, Duncan.

The Greenville Friends of the Library entertained at a hospitality hour on Thursday afternoon.

### Miss Perry Honored

At the banquet on Thursday night Mitchell Reames paid tribute to Ellen Perry, retired librarian of the Greenville Public Library. Miss Perry devoted many years to school and public library work until her retirement in 1952. She came to the Greenville Public Library in 1924 and served as assistant librarian and children's librarian before she was appointed librarian in 1941. She held various offices in the South Carolina Library Association including the presidency in 1931. She was the Association's ALA Councillor for a number of years. Since retirement Miss Perry has become a world traveler and spends much of her time abroad. She has never lost her interest in the South Carolina library program and attends every conference of the South Carolina Library Association when she is not out-of the country.

### INSURANCE PROTECTION FOR LIBRARIES

During the past year a number of South Carolina libraries have experienced break-ins which have resulted in the theft of valuable pieces of library and office equipment. At least one library was also the victim of vandalism. The majority of South Carolina libraries have insurance coverage with the State Sinking Fund, which does not provide insurance against theft. (It does provide coverage against vandalism, but only for physical damage and not, for example, the cost of redoing library records such as the card catalog.) Librarians and their boards should check their insurance programs and take necessary steps to provide adequate protection. In this connection, an article appearing in the current Library Journal (October 15, 1969) entitled "Protecting the Library After Hours" by Don Sager will be of interest.

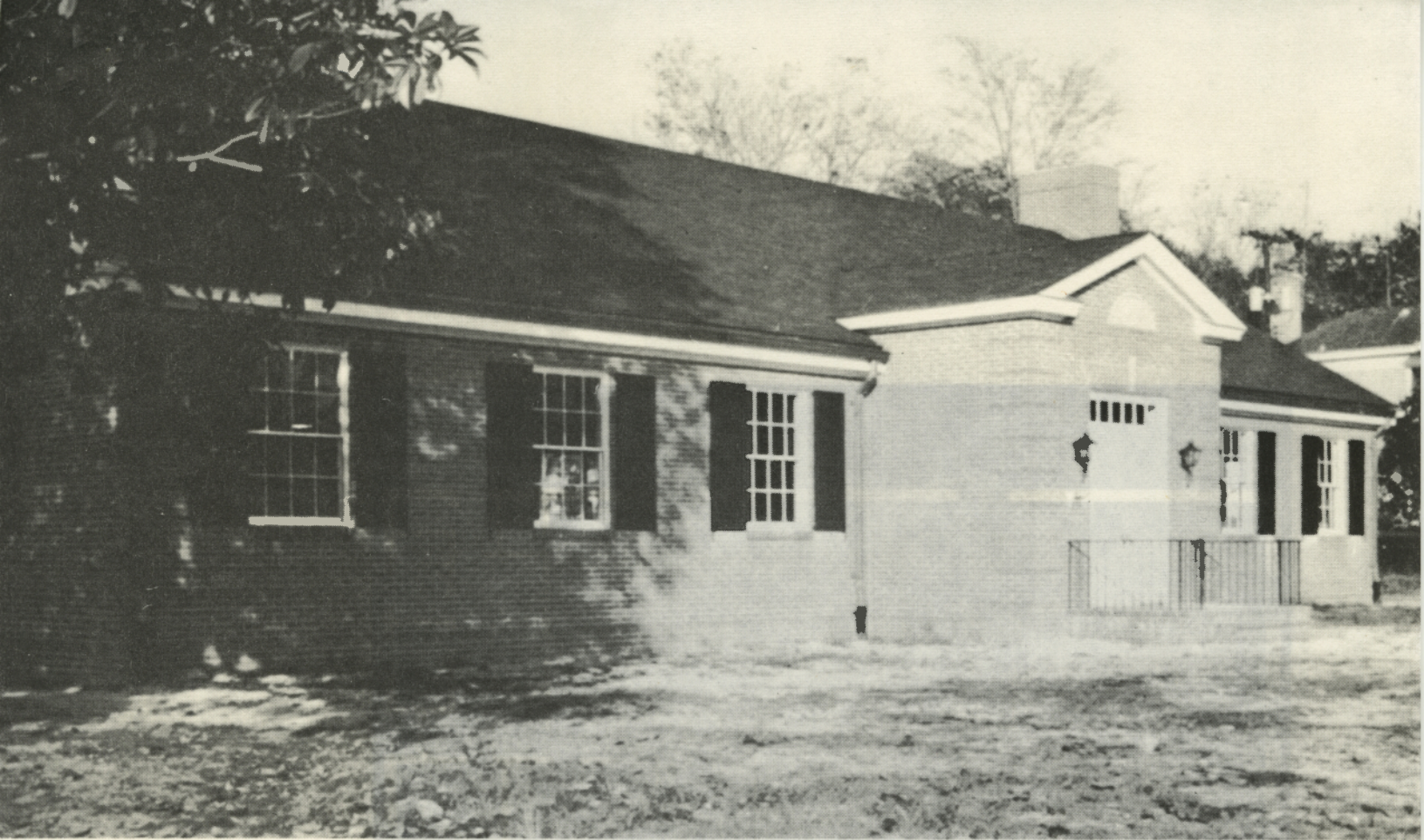
It should also be noted that the library's immunity from suit is not as extensive as has been formerly assumed. If the library does not have liability insurance, the county attorney should be consulted about the library's liability for damages and the necessary insurance protection obtained.

### FLAG FOR STATE LIBRARY

The Honorable James R. Mann, Member of Congress from the fourth South Carolina District, has presented to the State Library a United States flag and a certificate that it has flown over the U.S. Capitol. Mr. Mann's contribution is greatly appreciated and it will be the first flag to fly over the new State Library building.

P.S. The move is now scheduled for November 15!





# **Bamberg County Public Library**

## **A New Look for a South Carolina Library**

The face of the South Carolina public library system is constantly changing as library constructions and renovations throughout the state are being brought to completion. This month's Newsletter features the new Bamberg County Headquarters of the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library system.

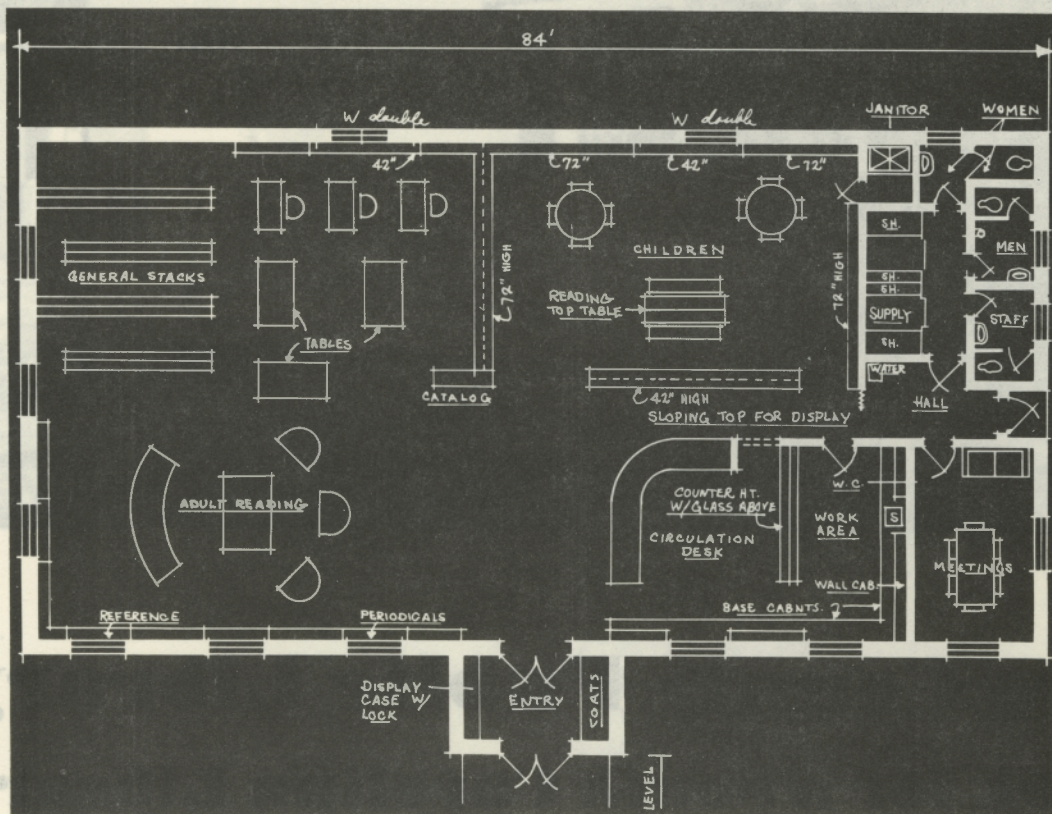
Designed by Architect Alex A. Dickson, the new building is modified Colonial in design with brick which resembles sandstone accented by shutters painted Charleston green.

Hartley and Dicks of Barnwell, South Carolina were contractors for the new structure, which is located on Railroad Avenue in Bamberg.

Encompassing 3,432 square feet of usable space, the interior of the new library is painted concrete block with shelving doubling as area dividers in the main part of the library. Shades of green dominate the interior decor.

Built on a larger corner lot, the building has ample parking, and a book depository has been included for patrons' convenience.





## Bamberg County Public Library

"The new Bamberg Library building, begun in March, 1969, and completed last month, has become a source of pride for all county residents, especially Bamberg townspeople," according to Josephine Crouch, Regional librarian. "The County Library was originally sponsored by the Bamberg Book Club, and the new building represents its fifth 'home'. The library has made steady progress and we are very proud of the services we can offer County residents now," Miss Crouch concluded.

Mrs. Herman Rice is the librarian for Bamberg County.

The new building was financed by a \$50,000 Federal Grant, appropriated under the Library Services and Construction Act and administered by the State Library. Remaining funds were provided through County appropriations and other local sources. Total costs included \$9,000 for the site, \$69,877 in building costs and an additional \$10,933 for furnishings.



## COMMANDANT LAUDS SMOKEY GOVERNOR PRAISES AGENCIES INVOLVED

Admiral H. J. Kossler, Commandant, Six Naval District was so impressed by the success of the Smokey Bear Reading Club in the Navy and Marine Corps Libraries in his district that he wrote Governor McNair to express his appreciation. He commended Estellene P. Walker, SLB Director, and Margie E. Herron, Field Service Librarian, for making the program available. The cooperation of S. C. Forestry Commission and the South Carolina Wildlife Resources Department was also praised.

Governor McNair, in replying, said he was delighted when state departments and agencies cooperated to render service wherever possible.

## EXPANDED RECRUITING PROGRAM

Since the need for additional professional librarians is acute throughout the entire library profession, the South Carolina State Library is expanding its recruiting program to include recruiting for all types of libraries and is enlisting the assistance of librarians from every type of library in the recruiting effort.

During the recent meeting of the South Carolina Library Association in Greenville, Marie-Therese Boyer, Personnel Librarian for the South Carolina State Library, held an unscheduled meeting to discuss recruiting needs in South Carolina and ways in which a greater number of college students could be reached with information about the opportunities available in the field of librarianship. Although the meeting was of necessity brief, the librarians attending agreed to pool their efforts in recruiting for the profession.

The librarians who participated at this meeting were: Mrs. Kathleen C. Fesperman, Newberry College, librarian; Mrs. Libby Law, Extension Librarian at Florence County Library; Miss Norma L. Lightsey, Librarian at York County Library; Mrs. Neal A. Martin, Greenwood County Librarian; Mrs. Lila Morley, Librarian at Colleton County Memorial Library; Mrs. L. S. Walker, Librarian at South Carolina State College. Miss Sarah Henry of Spartanburg County Library was unable to attend the meeting but will participate in the recruiting effort. Other librarians have been contacted to lend their support for the recruiting visits on college and university campuses in South Carolina.

Librarians and members of library board who can aid in the recruiting effort are asked to volunteer their services. Recruiting for the profession is needed at all levels. All those interested in joining in the recruiting effort are requested to write Miss Marie-Therese Boyer at the South Carolina State Library, 1500 Senate Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

## STUDENT - TEACHERS BROCHURES ON LIBRARY USE AGAIN AVAILABLE

In 1964 the State Library Board prepared two brochures, Tips to South Carolina Students and Tips for South Carolina Teachers, on the use of the public library. The brochures for teachers was planned to assist in guiding students to make the best possible use of the public library and to define the extent of service which school personnel can expect from the public library. The brochure for students was designed to guide them to a more intelligent use of the resources of the public library and to explain the services available as well as the requirements which the library must make of them as patrons.

The brochures had a wide distribution. They were mailed to South Carolina public libraries in quantity. They were reproduced by the Azusa and Covina public libraries in



California for use by their patrons. The Department of Defense's Dependent School Program for the Pacific requested and received permission to reproduce them. The Pensacola-Santa Rosa Regional Library adapted them for use in the system. The Deputy Director, Army Library Program, requested copies for distribution to key administrative librarians stationed with the army throughout the United States and overseas. State Library Agencies in several states requested sample copies.

Such popularity exhausted the supply of the "Tips" and they have now been reprinted. Copies may be requested by South Carolina public librarians for distribution to school officials. Out-of-state requests must be limited to sample copies.

#### BOOKS FOR THE COLLEGE BOUND O. P.

The supply of the list, Books for the College Bound, prepared and distributed by the State Library Board, is exhausted. When funds are available it will be reprinted.

#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ACTIVE

The Mauldin Friends of the Library sponsored a handicraft show at the Langdon Cheves Memorial Library (Mauldin branch of the Greenville County Library) October 20-24. Needlecraft, woodwork, ceramics and paintings by area residents were on display.

The Friends are interested in sponsoring a community craft guild. In the interest of organizing such a guild they held a public meeting at the library on October 20. Lance D. Card of Seneca and Harbing McClure of Pendleton spoke on the organization of a guild.

Greenville and Florence Friends conducted membership drives in September and October. In Greenville Mrs. Hunter Park was chairman of a large committee which began the drive in late September and concluded it in October. In Florence Mrs. Melba Sprague was public relations chairman for the membership drive which began in September and continued through October.

#### BOOKS DONATED TO STATE PARK

On October 19, Mrs. George M. Brown, national president of Alpha Xi Delta social sorority, presented \$700 worth of books to the medical library of the State Park Health Center. This gift was made possible through the Grace Ferris Foundation of the sorority. Miss Ferris, a member of the sorority, died from tuberculosis in the thirties and each year the sorority makes a contribution to a tuberculosis sanatorium in her memory.

The books were selected by Geneva Cobb, Librarian, and the medical staff of the Center.

The only Alpha Xi Delta chapter in South Carolina is at Newberry College, which was represented at the occasion by an alumna, Sharon Roberts of Newberry.

#### FORT MILL'S LIBRARY DAY

Library Day, conducted in Fort Mill on October 17 was a big success, netting over \$600 for the building fund.



Libraries, Inc. staged the event at Frank Epps' farm. Mr. Epps and his staff of experienced chefs prepared and sold over 100 gallons of beef and chicken stew. The Fort Mill Senior Citizens Club donated cakes, pies and ceramics to be auctioned. Many other items, including a pony, were donated for the auction. A turkey shoot was also on the program. A mule riding contest was scheduled but Woodrow, the mule, cut his neck in a mishap with his bridle, and could not participate.

Bob Swanson, president of the fund raising committee, reported that about \$10,000 has been collected since April. The Elliott White Springs Foundation will match dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 all funds collected.

#### Golf Classic Contributes to Building Fund

On September 12, 13 a Golf Classic was conducted to aid the building fund of the Fort Mill Library.

Two adults caddied all day both days and contributed their earnings to the fund.

One of the out-of-town golfers donated \$10.00 when he learned the purpose of the tournament. Another paid \$5.00 for a sandwich and requested the the change be added to the library fund.

#### NORTH AUGUSTA LIBRARY EXPANDS

The Nancy Carson Library, North Augusta, has utilized an annex to the building as a separate children's room. Increased use of the library made this expansion necessary. The Lions Club contributed \$1,200 which was used toward the purchase of shelving. A gift in memory of Lt. Dick Ulmer will provide for furniture. The North Augusta Woman's Club is making draperies for the room. The Carolina Hospitality Club has made a contribution toward equipping the room.

In 1965 a campaign was conducted in the North Augusta area to raise funds to purchase a church building and to convert it for use as a library. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. J. William Thurmond, \$53,000 was raised in 30 days. The recent expansion is another evidence of the area residents vital concern for libraries.

The Nancy Carson Library is a branch of the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library.

#### CHARLESTON'S BOOK DISCUSSIONS SERIES

##### Great Books

The first meeting of Great Books Discussion Groups was held at the Charleston County Library on October 15. Dr. Wiley E. Hodges was the leader of a discussion on Locke's On Education. On October 29 J. Kinloch Rivers lead the discussion on Jonson's Bartholmew Fair. At meetings on November 12 and December 3 Joe Shisko will be the leader of the discussion of Pushkin's Captain's Daughter and Dr. W. E. Hodges of Newman's Idea of a University.

##### Book Evenings

The 1969-70 "book evening" series at the Charleston County Library will begin on



November 3. Richard Coleman, Charleston writer and lecturer, will speak on The Turn of the Screw by Henry James.

January, February and March programs will feature local authors.

On January 5 John Bennett, Charleston author and illustrator will be the subject of a panel discussion.

Four books by Charlestonians will be discussed February 2. Josephine Pinckney's Three O'clock Dinner; Richard Coleman's Don't you Weep. Don't you Moan; Robert Molloy's Prides Way and William H. Barnwell's In Richard's World will be reviewed.

Dr. Frank M. Durham, author of DuBose Heyward's biography, will discuss Heyward's Porgy on March 2.

The book evenings are held in the lecture room of the library.

#### WINTHROP DEDICATES LIBRARY

The \$2.25 million Ida Jane Dacus Library at Winthrop College was dedicated October 18, 1969.

Dr. Charles Davis, Winthrop president, welcomed the guests and William H. Grier, vice-chairman of the Winthrop Board of Trustees accepted the building.

Dr. H. Joanne Harrar, librarian, introduced Dr. Benjamin Edward Powell, librarian of Duke University, who spoke on the College Library of Twenty-five Years Hence.

Mrs. Mildred Hulme and Barratt Wilkins represented the State Library.

#### Carnegie Library Renamed

Winthrop College trustees broke a precedent when they renamed their Carnegie Library for a living person. The building now being converted into quarters for the art department, was named the Mae Rutledge Smith building. Mae Rutledge Smith is now Mrs. D. B. Johnson, widow of Winthrop's first president. Mrs. Johnson, now 92, has spent the past 73 years at Winthrop and is still active as associate librarian at the Ida Jane Dacus Library.

#### NEWS NOTES OF LIBRARIANS, LIBRARIES AND TRUSTEES

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm J. Woods, Jr. have presented to the Marion Public Library two prints in memory of Captain William Power Woods U.S.N. (Ret.), a native of Marion and a brother of Mr. Woods. Mrs. William Power Woods is the artist. One of the prints is a pencil sketch of Pine Haven, the stately home of Judge Charles Albert Woods, a pioneer in promoting public library service in South Carolina. The other print is a scene from LeGette's Pond, a Marion County landmark.

Vandals ransacked the Clemson branch of the Pickens County Library on Sunday, September 14. Books were strewn on the floor but the greatest damage was to library records and periodicals which were ruined by the oil poured over them. The telephone was ripped from the wall and several bookcases overturned. Two eleven year old Clemson boys



were apprehended for the vandalism.

American Legion Post 120, its Auxiliary and the Wizard of Tamassee Chapter of the DAR presented flags of South Carolina and the United States to the Seneca branch of the Oconee County Library.

The Mauldin Jaycees have contributed a book return slot to the Mauldin branch of the Greenville County Library.

Norma Lemon, Worthy Advisor of the Myrtle Beach Order of the Rainbow, presented a check to be used for furnishings for the Chapin Memorial Library, Myrtle Beach. The check was the result of a project initiated by Miss Lemon.

Frank S. Keene has been appointed to the Lancaster County Library Board for a term of four years. Mr. Keene, general manager of Springmaid Cafeterias, fills the vacancy created by the death of H. DeWitt Plyer.

Billy McRae, member of the Chesterfield County Library Board from Cheraw, resigned because he has accepted a position out of the county. Mr. McRae's successor has not been appointed.

Mary Aiken, Librarian, Pickens County has returned to her home in Pickens to recuperate after undergoing surgery at the Columbia Hospital.

The S. C. Arts Commission has made a grant of \$500 to the Sumter County Library for the purchase of framed reproductions of great paintings. The library budgeted \$1,500 for this project. There will be approximately 60 reproductions in this circulating collection.

Landscaping is underway at the Sumter County Library. Patios, walkways, and numerous plantings are included in the plans.

Mrs. B.A. Fretwell has succeeded Keitt Purcell as chairman of the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library Board.

Chester County Library has added another service for its patrons. A new 3-M Automatic makes it possible for the public to copy material for 10¢ a sheet.

The Pickens County Library has added an important set, the 15-volume Encyclopedia of World Art, to its reference collection.

Mrs. Sandra Sellers, Ruby, has been appointed assistant to the Colonel E. B. Stevenson, Chesterfield County librarian.

The headquarters building of the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library in Newberry was featured in the W. R. Ames Company's advertisement in the October 1969 ALA Bulletin.

The Chapin Memorial Library Commission has issued invitations to an Open House at the Library, 14th Avenue, North, Myrtle Beach, on November 2 from 2:00 to 4:00. The renovation of and addition to the library building was completed recently. The Horry County Legislative Delegation, the City of Myrtle Beach, the Chapin Foundation and donations from citizens financed the remodelling. The Chapin Memorial Library is affiliated with the Horry County Library.



Mrs. James Lackey, formerly Extension Librarian, ABBE Regional Library, became librarian of the Aiken County Library on October 1. She will be succeeded in the Extension Department by Mrs. Charles Hicks who will supervise bookmobile operations and by Mrs. William Rogers who will be in charge of branch libraries.

The recently completed Landrum branch of the Spartanburg County Library is now open to the public. An LSCA grant of \$50,000 from the State Library Board made possible the construction of an \$80,000 air-conditioned building.

Mrs. Ned R. Workman, Plum Branch, is the new assistant in the McCormick County Library.

Vivian Wise, a native of Newberry, has been employed as a bookmobile assistant by the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library. She fills the vacancy created by the death of Mrs. Ruby Johnson, a veteran bookmobile librarian.

The Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library Board has re-elected the following officers: Edgar W. Davis, Jr., Chairman; Fletcher Ferguson, vice-chairman and William L. Bross, treasurer. Mrs. Charles Washington succeeds Mrs. Cal Stevenson as secretary.

Mrs. Lois Fowler, long-time staff member, is acting librarian of the Anderson County Library.

Norma L. Lightsey spoke to the Satellite Chapter of the National Secretaries Association in Rock Hill on October 16 on library services and facilities available to Rock Hill and York County residents.

Mrs. Frances Stuart, Librarian, Richland Technical Education Center attended a workshop authorized by the Executive Council (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) of the Commission on Colleges which was held in Atlanta September 29 - October 1. The purpose of the workshop was to evaluate the process currently used by the College Commission in the accreditation of collegiate institutions which offer vocational and technical programs. Mrs. Stuart participated as a member of the discussion group concerned primarily with the standards affecting libraries.

Whitten Village, the Clinton Center of the S. C. Department of Mental Retardation, has employed Mary Catherine DuBois of Clinton as librarian. Miss DuBois, formerly librarian in the Greenwood School District recently returned from Syracuse University where she took courses at the School of Library Science.

During September an exhibit by a local artist, Mrs. Louise Few, was displayed in the York Public Library, a branch of the York County Library. Mrs. Few's paintings have been included in the Springs exhibits and displayed in Lancaster, Rock Hill, Gastonia, Chester, and Greenville.

#### SYMPATHY TO

..... the family of Henry Jackson Munnerlyn who died October 7 in Bennettsville. Mr. Munnerlyn was a trustee of the Marlborough County Public Library board.

..... the family of John C. Fowler who died October 4 in Gaffney. Mr. Fowler was chairman of the Cherokee County Library Board.



.....the family of Otto Brock of Honea Path. Mr. Brock was a trustee of the Jennie Erwin Library, Honea Path branch of the Anderson County Library.

..... William M. Mauldin, Jr., on the recent death of his mother. Mr. Mauldin is on the Board of the York County Library.

## YOUR PROBLEMS

by

Anne Library

Dear Anne Library:

Did you see the list of members of the Public Library Section in the October issue of the SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARIAN? There were only 107 members listed! On the other hand, there were 251 members of the School Library Section. And the Trustee Section listed 128 members.

Surely there must be several times 107 employees in our South Carolina public libraries! Why do you suppose so few have joined the State Library Association and the Public Library Section? Is there any other state organization vitally concerned with the welfare of libraries and librarians in South Carolina? Does anyone consider the small membership fee of \$2 per year too costly?

The PL Standards have provided the basis for much improvement in our public libraries - schedules of salary raises, expansion of staff, etc. Too, the PL Workshops have brought us together for learning and discussion. Much else has been done by the Section through the years, as many of us know.

Don't you think we need to get up off our seat of apathy and at least show enough interest in our jobs to join the Public Library Section and the State Association?

Sincerely,

Concerned

Dear Concerned:

Thank you for pointing out this woeful dereliction.

It would seem that the new Executive Board of the Public Library Section has a job right off the bat. A membership recruiting program should be first on its agenda.

Anne

CAROLINIANA

Campbell, William H. Reflections - The Light and Texture of Charleston. R. L. Bryan Co. \$7.50 (Black and white photographs of scenes of the old sections of Charleston)

Vaughan, Celina McGregor. Pawley's ... As It Was. The State Publishing Company. \$4.00  
(The author reminisces about her long association with the island)